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In re Application of: Joseph I. Chamdani, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/944,425  
Filing Date: August 30, 2001  
Group Art Unit: 2143  
Examiner: Jeffrey C. Pwu  
Confirmation No.: 1853  
Title: PROVIDING A SINGLE-HOP COMMUNICATION PATH  
BETWEEN A STORAGE DEVICE AND A NETWORK  
SWITCH

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 10, 2005 ("Final Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.